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# **Arresting Local Drug Dealers**



Legislator Anker alongside Suffolk County Police Acting Commissioner Tim Sini to announce a new police initiative focused on grassroots efforts to crack down on drug dealing in Suffolk County.

**YAPHANK, NY** – Suffolk County Legislator Sarah Anker joined Suffolk County Police Acting Commissioner Tim Sini on Saturday, January 30th at Suffolk County Police Headquarters in Yaphank to announce a new initiative aimed at cracking down on drug dealing in Suffolk County neighborhoods. The initiative, fueled in part by residents' complaints, will focus on combating drug houses in communities. As part of the initiative, the police department will be utilizing Special Operations Team (SOT) detectives in each precinct to work with residents to obtain information on who is dealing and where.

"Working together with our law enforcement and sharing information is imperative to getting dangerous drugs off our streets and out of our communities," said Legislator Sarah Anker. "The most important action residents can take is if you see something, say something."

During the past several weeks since the initiative began, investigators have already executed nine search warrants and seized approximately \$300,000 in cash, approximately 2,672 grams of cocaine and crack/cocaine, approximately 464 grams of heroin, 80 grams of oxycodone, seven guns, and drug paraphernalia.



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"This new narcotics initiative will target residences where drug dealing is occurring. Drug houses in our neighborhoods degrade our sense of community, public safety and quality of life," said Suffolk County Police Acting Commissioner Tim Sini. "We will target these locations by executing more search warrants and making arrests at those locations."

Legislator Anker will continue to be a strong advocate for increased patrol and looks forward to working with Acting Commissioner Sini to be liaison between the community and our law enforcement. For more information please contact Legislator Anker's office at (631) 854-1600.

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